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Attorney Docket No. 27585-022

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Thomas P. Hager and Richard N. Lehman
Serial No.: 10/003,529
Filing Date: October 31, 2001
For: COMPACT HYBRID FIBER REINFORCED RODS FOR
OPTICAL CABLE REINFORCEMENTS AND
METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

Examiner: Jill M. Gray
Art Unit: 1774

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR FIVE MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME

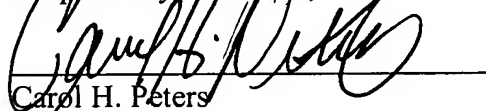
Sir:

Applicants submit herewith a petition for five months extension of time to extend the time to file a response required in the above-identified application on or before October 6, 2006. Applicants also file herewith the enclosed RCE pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 to continue prosecution of the present application.

If the enclosed check is insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the balance required to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, referencing Attorney Docket No. 27585-022. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for this purpose.

Should the Office have any questions concerning this petition for one-month extension of time, the Office is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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